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Early & unofficial results:

WEST SAC'S VOTE



About 6,251 voters, or 37.3 percent of the 16,740 registered West Sacramento voters cast their ballots yesterday in the state's primary election, choosing from among several major local and statewide issues.

Here is a breakdown of how they voted on some of those issues that hit closest to home -- a $52 million measure to build West Sacramento a new high school, a second city ballot measure seeking to create direct elections for future city mayors, and a decision on whether to return local county supervisor Michael McGowan to office for another term.

These ballot breakdowns are early and unofficial results, released by the Yolo County Elections Office late last night before all ballots were counted.

MEASURE Q: HIGH SCHOOL BOND

PASSED (75.0% of precincts reporting)

YES	**4,072 votes**	**67.7%**
NO	**1,940**	**32.2%**

This bond measure will allow the Washington Unified School District, serving West Sacramento, to sell $52 million in bonds to cover much of the cost of building a new high school at a proposed site near Linden Road and Jefferson Blvd. The bonds will be repaid, with interest, by local property owners, at a rate of about $60 per year for every $100,000 in assessed property value.

The measure requred approval from 55 percent of the voters.

MEASURE R, DIRECT VOTE FOR MAYOR

PASSED (72.2% of precincts reporting)

YES	**4,415 votes**	**75.1%**
NO	**1,463**	**24.8%**

This ballot measure sought to change the city's governance such that the election for a mayor became separate from the election for the other four members of the city council. Currently, elections are held for all five city council members, and the council then chooses a mayor from among its own ranks.

The measure included a second question, asking whether the term of such a directly-elected mayor should be two years or four (council terms are four years). The voters appeared to favor giving the mayor a two-year term, with 65.2% saying 'yes' to this option.

YOLO COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 1ST DISTRICT

MICHAEL McGOWAN (incumb.)	**3,555 votes**	**65.3%**
JAMES CAHILL	**1,885**	**34.6%**

MICHAEL McGOWAN, the incumbent in this district that includes most of West Sacramento as well as Clarksburg, was returned to office for another four-year term. These numbers are shown with 71.4 percent of the district's precincts reporting.

IN OTHER SELECTED BALLOT ISSUES AND RACES:

■ In the Fourth District race for the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, appointed incumbent Mariko Yamada held a 66.2 percent to 33.7 percent lead over David Sandino.

■ In the Fifth District Yolo race, incumbent Lynnell Pollock and Duane Chamberlain were locked in a race too close to call -- with both well ahead of three other candidates for a board seat.

■ California Senator Barbara Boxer was unopposed on the Democratic ballot for another nomination.

■ Bill Jones was the strongest candidate for the Republican nomination for Boxer's senate seat.

■ With 34.7 percent of the state's precincts reporting, Proposition 55, the state Education Bond, was narrowly favored by a 50.2 percent to 49.8 percent margin of voters.

■ At the same time, Proposition 56, the State Budget measure, was faced with a 63.6 percent "no" vote.

■ Proposition 57, the governor's Economic Recovery Bond Measure, was passing with a 61 percent majority.

■ Proposition 58, the state's Balanced Budget ballot measure, was passing with 70.6 percent of the voters in approval.

■ John Kerry cemented his role as likely Democratic presidential nominee, ahead of John Edwards.

Victory for 'Q' backers



BACKERS OF WEST SACRAMENTO'S MEASURE Q school bond measure joined their guests in an election night party last night at Johnnie's Sidewalk Pizza on Merkley Avenue. They ate pizza and watched their campaign efforts pay off, with the city's voters handing the $52 million bond measure a win. With over two-thirds of the votes counted, the measure held a 67.7 percent to 32.2 percent margin of victory last night -- and it only required 55 percent to pass.

The bond measure is expected to send the city and its Washington Unified School District down the path towards building a new campus to replace the aging and overcrowded River City High School.

School district faces budget crunch, looks at layoffs

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

West Sacramento's school board will hold a special meeting tomorrow night to learn more about the architects who want to design a new high school for West Sacramento -- and to talk about the potential layoff of district teachers.

Superintendent Patrick Campbell said yesterday that the district's budget was still in flux (and would be in worse shape if the governor's deficit financing bond didn't pass yesterday). But he estimated that next year's deficit "is probably between a million dollars and three million dollars."

"There are only so many ways you can save money in a district," he added, "and layoffs are one of them."

"We're also trying (to save money) by offering a package to teachers for early retirement," said Campbell.

He said he was unable to estimate, prior to the board meeting tomorrow, just how many layoffs were looming. But the district is required to notify, in the next two weeks, any teachers who are at risk of being laid off.

Irene Eklund, president of the Washington Unified School District Board of Trustees, said that some number of teacher layoffs was inevitible.

"I'm sure it's going to happen," she commented. "That budget has to close somewhere and we've got a $3 million deficit."

The board will meet in public session at 7:45 p.m. at Golden State Middle School's library Thursday.

Marijuana found -- but local homeowners free for moment

The Yolo County Narcotics Enforcement Team (YONET) reported yesterday that marijuana with a street value of about $200,000 was seized Monday during the search of a house on McKinley Way in West Sacramento.

YONET officials said a citizen reported an indoor marijuana growing facility at the home. One part-time resident, 27-year old David Gailey, was on searchable probation for a past marijuana cultivation arrest in Butte County.

At about 1 p.m. on Monday, YONET agents went to the home and contacted the owner, Bertha Hansen (Gailey's mother) along with Gailey. Officers say they smelled marijuana and that, combined with the searchable probation clause, allowed them to freeze the residence while they obtained a search warrant. While performing a "protective sweep" of the residence for possible other occupants, they saw a room "solely dedi-

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New benefits for city council

The West Sacramento City Council will look tonight at allowing its own members to join the participation of city staffmembers in the CalPERS retirement system. The elected officials who opt to join CalPERS will pay some of the retirement costs themselves, leaving the city with $700 per council member annually in new costs -- or $3,500 annually to provide the retirement option for all five officials.

West Sacramento's city council members currently receive a stipend of about $450 most months for their work in meeting as a council and as the city's redevelopment agency, said Assistant City Manager Carol Richardson. The councilmembers also receive health benefits totaling about $500 per month for their service.

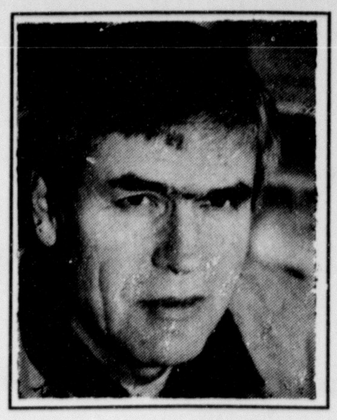
She added that the retirement program could have been created for the council members when the city formed in 1987, "but for some reason was not."

Are there any movements in the works to increase the council's take-home pay?

"There has been no interest expressed in that since we incorporated," said Richardson.

A constitutional amendment worth supporting

My Back Pages



By Daryl Fisher

I have a dear friend of many years (we go all the way back to our grade school days and we both also graduated from West Sacramento's James Marshall High School) who loves to corner me from time to time and discuss politics, knowing perfectly well that we don't often see eye-to-eye in that area. In fact, when our little conversations are over, they inevitably end with one of us saying to the other, "Well, I guess we're just going to have to agree to disagree on that one, too."

My friend (who I will call Francis, after another famous mule) and I have had so many political arguments over the years that we have become quite comfortable in the knowledge that no matter how heated our conversations may become, we will still be friends at the end of the day. In fact, I think it is that unspoken understanding which allows us to say exactly what we think. He also knows that some of the highlights of our little chats often end up in this newspaper column, so I'm pretty sure (hopeful at least) he won't mind what follows below.

Anyway, this past weekend, Francis and I were at it again but it was he who lobbed the first grenade.

"So, Daryl," he asked me with the same mischievous smile which always seems to begin one of our political discussions, "tell me, my friend, what do you think about this new constitutional amendment that President Bush wants so we can keep gay people from getting married?"

"I think the president's poll numbers must have really been taking a beating lately for him to suggest that," I answered.

"So, you think it's just a political move?"

"I'm sure that's part of it."

"But look at what's going on in San Francisco. That idiot of a new mayor down there is granting same-sex marriage licenses knowing full-well that it's against the law. There's been more than 3,500 gay marriage ceremonies already performed and the courts still haven't stopped it. Doesn't that worry you just a little?"

"To tell you the truth," I said to my friend, "I'm afraid gay marriage is about number 172 on my very long list of things to worry about nowadays."

"But you do agree, don't you, that the institution of marriage will be in big trouble if we let same-sex couples marry?"

"Look," I said, "I will agree with you that marriage is a very big deal, and since approximately fifty percent of all heterosexual marriages in this country now end in divorce, it is definitely an institution in crisis, but homosexuals obviously haven't been a player in any of that. Since they've never been allowed to marry, it seems to me that their hands are completely clean when it comes to what's gone wrong with marriage in this country. No, if you ask me, President Bush may have been absolutely right in his State of the Union address when he said, 'Our nation must defend the sanctity of marriage', but unfortunately, he proposed the wrong solution to the problem."

"So, you're saying you don't think we need an amendment banning same-sex marriage?"

"Of course not. But that's not to say that maybe another kind of constitutional amendment concerning marriage might not be such a bad idea."

"What are you talking about?"

"Well," I suggested, "since so many politicians and their constituents seem to be really eager these days to save marriage through the constitutional amendment process, now might be the perfect time to put into law something that will actually help stabilize marriage and the family unit in this country?"

"And just what might that be?"

"I propose that we have a constitutional amendment that states once two consenting adults in this country are legally married and raising children they can't get divorced until all of their kids are at least 18."

"That's crazy."

"Why?"

"Because the parents might not be happy or in love anymore."

"Too bad."

"But what about those people who get married, have children right away, but discover they can't stand each other? Isn't it best for everyone -- even the children -- that they get a divorce?"

"That's certainly the popular way of looking at things nowadays," I admitted, "but there was a time in this country when divorce was a very serious matter -- especially if there were children involved -- and maybe it should be again."

"No one would ever support such a thing in today's modern world."

"And that's my point. Preserving the sanctity of marriage has nothing -- or at least very little -- to do with gay people. But it has everything to do with straight people living up to their responsibilities and keeping their families whole so that stable, well-adjusted children will be able to grow up in loving homes and because of that experience, someday be eager and able to produce more of the same. We've somehow created a society where throwaway children are no big deal and where there are almost as many deadbeat dads as there are loving ones. We've also made it almost financially impossible for mothers who want to stay home with their children to do so and turned the responsibility of raising our children over to day care centers, grandparents who thought their child rearing days were over, and television sets with shows that fill our kids heads up with garbage. No, without the committed two-parent family that has made much of Western Civilization possible, this country is in a much bigger hurt than most people know or want to acknowledge. So if you ask me, if we're going to have a new constitutional amendment to save marriage, it ought to deal with the behavior of straight people, not gays. We could call it the `All Heterosexuals Have To Live Up To Their Marriage And Family Responsibilities' constitutional amendment."

"Why do I even try to have meaningful political discussions with you?" asked Francis.

Thought of the week: *"May the fleas of a thousand camels infest the crotch of any person who is being mean or unkind to you and may his or her arms be too short to scratch."*

Library's 'Super Volunteers'—

The East Yolo Friends of the Library named four "Super-Volunteers" as Friends of the Year at their 43rd Annual Dinner on February 24th.

Honored were Ken Whitney, who oversees the maintenance of the ever-growing audio and video collection at West Sacramento's Arthur F. Turner Library; Bob McIntosh, who comes in six days a week to stock the magazine table, which is an important source of income for the Friends; and Frances Eklund and Pat Stratfull, who are the Friends' "do anything, at any time people" and who have been helping for many years on numerous library projects and services.

Also at the dinner meeting, the present slate of officers were unanimously re-elected for another term. Serving again will be Wes Beers, president; Kristie Holton, vice president; Su Sesso, secretary; and Larry Wyneken, treasurer.

The Executive Board of the East Yolo Friends of the Library meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 5:30 in the Arthur F. Turner Library meeting room. The meetings are open to all interested people.

New on the bookshelf

By Elise McCallan
Arthur F. Turner Branch Library
1212 Merkley Ave.

The Arthur F. Turner Branch Library has received the following new books:

"The Privilege of Youth: A Teenager's Story of Longing for Acceptance and Friendship" by Dave Pelzer.

"This Just In: What I Couldn't Tell You on TV" by Bob Schieffer.

"Montessori From the Start: The Child at Home, from Birth to Age Three" by Paula Polk Lillard and Lynn Lillard Jessen.

"Boogers Are My Beat: More Lies, But Some Actual Journalism!" by Dave Barry.

"American Mafia: A History of Its Rise to Power" by Thomas Reppetto.

Call 375-6465 for information or library hours.

Obituary

Joyce Houser

Joyce Houser passed away at the age of 74 in Sacramento on February 25, 2004. She was the beloved wife of the late Jack Houser; the loving mother of Brenda (Bill) Kristoff, Samuel Houser, and Cynthia Headrick and the late Richard Houser; the devoted grandmother of Nicole, Andrew, Jaclyn, Amanda, Eric, Jennifer and Joseph; and the great grandmother of three.

Joyce was a native of Arkansas and a 47-year resident of West Sacramento. At her request, no services will be held. She will be greatly missed by all those who knew and loved her.

Private inurnment will be at Monument Hill Memorial Park in Woodland. Memorials are preferred to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements were handled by the River Cities Funeral Chapel of West Sacramento.

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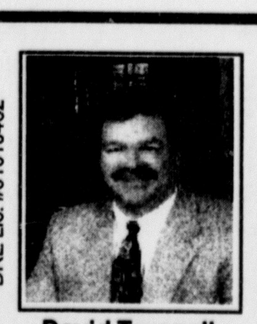
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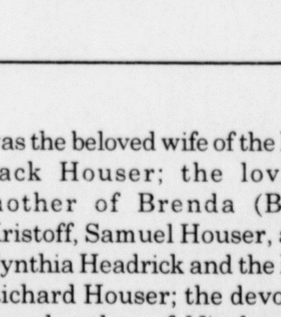
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SPORTS

Local parochial champs



The Holy Cross girls' varsity basketball team won the West Division Parochial Athletic (PAL) League championship with a 6-0 record. The six girls on the active roster are Mina Mohadess, Ariadna Castillo, Courtney Chairez, Vanessa Lara, Brooke Haugen, and Ariel Gregersen. Cecily Ortiz has been injured and will return for the playoffs. The team is coached by Dean O'Brien and Scott Gregersen. The girls played all their games at Holy Rosary in Woodland and defeated Our Lady of Grace, Holy Spirit, Merryhill South, Saint James, Saint Philomenes and Holy Rosary. The Varsity girls also placed fifth in the Saint Charles tournament which began with 23 teams. Playoffs will continue through early March.

A Sporting View

by Chris Richcreek

When Small Is Big

St. Joseph's men's basketball team will carry a lot of extra baggage into the upcoming NCAA Tournament.

There are so many groups the Hawks are representing — so many observers who want to see the small school known for its big undefeated run in 2003-04 do well in the postseason.

For starters, other small schools are rooting for St. Joseph's — a school of less than 4,000 undergrad students in Philadelphia — because it's always nice to see one of your own take down some "big boys." For the past few years, Gonzaga has probably been the best representative for small schools, but that program has advanced to the point where it's not an underdog anymore.

Likewise, Phil Martelli, the coach of St. Joseph's, has become a beacon for other small-college coaches. Martelli, who before this season had taken St. Joseph's to three NCAA Tournaments and two NIT postseason berths in eight years, is known in the coaching ranks, but he's not exactly a household name. That could be changing soon.

Underclassmen should take heed of St. Joseph's star guard Jameer Nelson, who has averaged about 20 points and five assists a game this season. He tested the NBA waters last summer, then chose to skip the draft and remain in school. Nelson's subsequent success merely re-emphasizes the fact that players who stay for a fourth season can often use their experience to turn in dominant performances, especially in an era in which two years and out is the college athletic norm.

One final area of praise might seem strange, but it's true — supporters of a college football playoff system want to be able to say, "See, this shows that a small school can compete on the level of the big boys in a true playoff system." Granted, the gaps between big and small schools in the two sports are vastly different. But at least in hoops, small schools have an opportunity. That's what makes college basketball's postseason superior to college football's bowl system.

Of course, all this "baggage" could mean a lot of added pressure for St. Joseph's. But that's OK, because St. Joseph's has become quite familiar with challenges — and success.

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SPORTS INSIDER

By Richard Novoa

Kings Korner

Hang on to your hats Kings fans, as Chris Webber returns to the line up after 299 days from his May 8th injury. C-Webb was injured during Game 2 of the Western Conference semifinals last year in Dallas. Webber had arthroscopic surgery on June 10th to repair his lateral meniscus. C-Webb would have been back sooner but the NBA suspended him for three games for lying to the grand jury and tagged on five additional games for violating the league's anti-drug policy. These eight games will cost him around $1 million.

The three-time All-Star will join another All-Star, Brad Miller, for the first time on the court during the March 2 game against the Los Angeles Clippers. Webber, Miiler and Vlade Divac will rotate under the boards. This combination should make the Kings the team to beat in the playoffs!

Somebody woke up Doug Christie on Sunday night during the Kings 108-94 win over the lowly Phoenix Suns. Christie had season-high 28 points, nine assists, eight rebounds and four steals! Looks like Christie decided to concentrate on basketball instead of waving to his wife in the crowd!

After the Tuesday night game against the Clippers, the Silver, Purple and Black will load up the plane for a short three game East Coast trip. The Kings will play the 76ers on Thursday night (4:30-TNT) then head down south to endure the Heat on Saturday (12:30 p.m.-Ch.10) and finish up the trip in Disneyworld on Sunday against Orlando (3 p.m.). The next home game is March 9th against the Golden State Warriors.

College Basketball Playoffs

The Sacramento State Hornets beat Montana State 80-74 in Bozeman, Montana to earn a first round home game in the Big Sky Tournament on Saturday (7:05 p.m.). The Hornets and Bobcats were playing for the last spot in the tournament. Sacramento State (13-14, 7-7) will host Weber State (14-13, 7-7) in the first round Saturday. The winner travels to Eastern Washington for the semifinals and final on March 9-10.

Tickets for the game are $10 and $15 and are available at the Sac. State Box Office (916) 278-4323). Go Hornets!

NFL Football

Looks like Jeff Garcia's days of wearing maroon and gold are over! The 49ers must decide by March 3 to pay the 34-year old Garcia $10 million or release the three time pro bowl quarterback with a half million in roster bonus. It's a bad deal for both sides because if Garcia's contract is not reworked he will count $12 million against the 49ers-salary cap in 2004. The 49ers and Garcia are far apart in their negotiations. The 49ers offered Garcia a base salary of $5 million plus performance bonuses.

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Sports Quiz

by Chris Richcreek

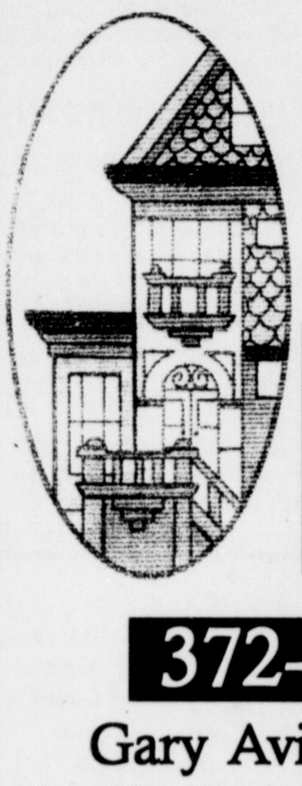
1. Who had the last pinch-hit homer in an All-Star Game before Texas' Hank Blalock did it in 2003?
2. Where was the first All-Star Game played in which the National League won?
3. When was the last time the University of Kentucky beat the Tennessee Vols in football?
4. Name the first two women to officiate regular-season NBA games.
5. Name the five Montreal Canadiens to win the Conn Smythe Trophy (Stanley Cup playoffs MVP) during the '70s.
6. How many gold medals has Brazil won in Olympic men's soccer?
7. Name the only Triple Crown winner in horse racing to capture the Preakness before the Kentucky Derby.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Jan. 29, 2004
File No. 2004-108

The following person is doing business as Co-Owners River Ranch, mailing: 11051 Bruceville Road, Elk Grove CA 95758, 3240 Industrial Boulevard, West Sacramento, CA 95691:

George H. Wilson Testamentary trust A&B, 50878 Babel Slough Road, Clarksburg, CA 95612; George David Wilson & Erma A. Wilson Revocable family Trust, 50878 Babel Slough Road, Clarksburg, CA 95612; Patricia J. Fisher, 116 Centre, Hereford, TX 79045; Wesley J. Fisher 1993 Trust, 116 Centre, Hereford, TX 79045; Roger H. and Dorothy Anne Abley Revocable Trust, 8900 Eschinger Road, Elk Grove CA 95758; Ness Christian Enterprises, 11051 Bruceville Rd., Elk Grove CA 95758.

This business is conducted by a Joint Venture. Previous fictitious business name number 2003-1019.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1-1-03.

/s/Arlene Wilson

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

State of California
County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Jan 29, 2004
by: /s/Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk

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(CITATION JUDICIAL)
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CASE NUMBER (Numero del Caso): CV04-200

The name and address of the court is *(El Nombre y direccion de la corte es)*: Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 725 Court Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, *is (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es)*: Linda S. Patrick (Bar #182950), Law Office of Guy G. Gibson, Jr., 1540 Jefferson Blvd., West Sacramento, CA 95691, phone no: (916) 371-5780, Fax No: (916) 371-1624.

Date *(Fecha)* Feb. 13, 2004
James B. Perry, Clerk *(Secretario)* by /s/ Deputy *(Adjunto)*

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The West Sacramento City Council will conduct a public hearing on March 17, 2004 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the following. The hearing will be held in the council chambers at the Civic Center, 1110 West Capitol Ave., West Sacramento. Interested persons are invited to attend. In compliance with the ADA, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, you should contact the City Clerk at 617-4500. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting. City hall is handicapped accessible.

1. Appeal of the Planning Commission approval of the Benkert Estates Tentative Parcel Map which calls for the subdivision of an existing +/-5 acre parcel into two +/-1. acre parcels, one +/-1.2 acre parcel and one +/-1.8 acre parcel. Each lot would be served by a private well and septic system. The parcel is located at 1325 Linden Road, West Sacramento and is zoned Rural Residential.

2. Appeal of the Planning Commission approval of a Conditional Use Permit for a 20 inch diameter petroleum pipeline as a major impact service and utility and as an expansion of an existing use greater than 30% in the South River Road area south of the Pioneer Bridge and the barge canal. The project also includes a 4,000 foot extension consisting of a 12 inch pipeline branch to serve Wickland Oil and ultimately the Sacramento International Airport. The project is part of a proposed 70 mile pipeline originating in Concord, California and is intended to replace an existing 14 inch pipeline. The pipeline would generally enter the City at the western limit, north of West Capitol Avenue, turn south at Enterprise Boulevard, turn east onto Industrial Boulevard, then enter the Port of Sacramento, cross Jefferson Boulevard and turn north onto South River Road, terminating at the existing SFPP station on South River Road. The California State Lands Commission as Lead Agency has certified an Environmental Impact Report for the entire project.

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NOTICE OF HEARING
MARCH 18, 2004

The West Sacramento Planning Commission will consider the following matters on Thursday March 18, 2004, at West Sacramento Civic Center, Council Chambers, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, California, at the times as specified or as soon thereafter as the matters may be heard:

6:00 p.m.
Zoning Administrator (ZA) Actions
Item #1
Sharma Lot Merger (ZA 04-01)

The applicant is requesting approval to merge two developed lots located at 710, 714 and 720 Walnut Street. The subject site supports a small single family home and a duplex. (MW)

River City Parking LLC (ZA 04-04 through 04-10)

River City Parking LLC aka known as River City Baseball is requesting annual parking permits for seven lots in the vicinity of Raley Field for baseball uses for the 2004 Rivercats season. (JP)

Item #2
Lindenwood Tentative Subdivision Map & Conditional Use Permit (TSM 03-06; CUP 03-08)

This item is a request to subdivide a 16.7-acre parcel into 176 single-family lots, twenty private landscape corridor lots, and two private street lots. A Conditional Use Permit is requested because the parcel is zoned R-3 (Multi-Family Residential). A Planned Development Permit is also proposed. All interior streets and sidewalks will be private. The property is located at 2637 Linden Road. A Negative Declaration has been prepared for this project. OWNER/APPLICANT: St. Anton Investors, Inc., 1801 I Street, Suite 202, Sacramento, CA 95814. (DT)

Item #3
The Rivers Tentative Subdivision Map #4680

The Grupe Company seeks approval of a re-subdivision of 29 single-family lots into 22 single-family lots. The project site, which includes 3.55 acres, is part of the project formerly known as the Lighthouse Marina project. The project is located on the north side of Lighthouse Drive, east of Westlake Drive and is zoned WF PD 29 (Waterfront, Planned Development 29). A Negative Declaration has been prepared for this project. OWNER: West Riverview LLC, 3255 West March Lane, Stockton, CA 95267. APPLICANT: The Grupe Company, 905 Lighthouse Drive, West Sacramento, CA 95605. (SW)

Item #4
Capitol Place Planned Development Permit (PD 03-03)

American Property Development seeks approval of a Planned Development Permit for 9.4 acres located at the northwest corner of Sacramento Avenue and Douglas Street (APN #'s 10-320-72, 14-571-23, 14-571-24). The property is zoned R-3 (Multi-Family Residential). The applicant proposes to construct a 192-unit multifamily community that will include a 3,584 square foot recreational building, a pool, a spa and public plazas. A Negative Declaration has previously been circulated for the project. OWNER: Capitol Place Apartment Association, LLC, 110 110th Avenue NE, Suite 550, Bellevue, WA 98004. APPLICANT: American Property Development, 110 110th Avenue NE, Suite 550, Bellevue, WA 98004. (SW)

/s/Stephen M. Patek, Director
Community Development Department

If you challenge any of the above items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of West Sacramento at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. HISTORY: Spain ceded Florida to the United States in what year?
2. MUSIC: To what family of musical instruments does the bassoon belong?
3. MYTHOLOGY: What was the name of the mythological character who was forced to eternally roll a boulder up a hill?
4. LITERATURE: "The Fairie Queene" was penned by which English author?
5. GEOGRAPHY: What is the main source of the Nile River?
6. PRESIDENTS: Mount Vernon is the historic home of what U.S. president?
7. RELIGION: Who was the founder of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day Saints (Mormons)?
8. ARCHITECTURE: The Notre Dame cathedral in Paris is an example of what type of architecture?
9. INVENTIONS: Who is credited with inventing Tupperware?
10. LAW: What is perjury?

Answers

1. 1819
2. Woodwind
3. Sisyphus
4. Edmund Spenser
5. Lake Victoria
6. George Washington
7. Joseph Smith
8. Gothic
9. Earl W. Tupper
10. Lying under oath

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top 10 movies

1. **50 First Dates** .....(PG-13)
Adam Sandler, Drew Barrymore
2. **Barbershop 2: Back in Business** .....(PG-13)
Ice Cube, Cedric the Entertainer
3. **Miracle** .....(PG)
Kurt Russell, Eddie Cahill
4. **The Butterfly Effect** .....(R)
Ashton Kutcher, Amy Smart
5. **You Got Served** .....(PG-13)
Marques Houston, Omari Grandberry
6. **Along Came Polly** .....(PG-13)
Ben Stiller, Jennifer Aniston
7. **Catch That Kid** .....(PG)
Kristen Stewart, Corbin Bleu
8. **The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King** .....(PG-13)
Elijah Wood, Sean Astin
9. **Cold Mountain** .....(R)
Jude Law, Nicole Kidman
10. **Mystic River** .....(R)
Laura Linney, Sean Penn

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For more information about exotic or unusual romance or honeymoon travel spots (maybe an over-the-water bungalow in Tahiti, a spa weekend on Fiji or a trek through the Amazonian rainforest in Peru), visit the Web site at www.travelsavers.com.

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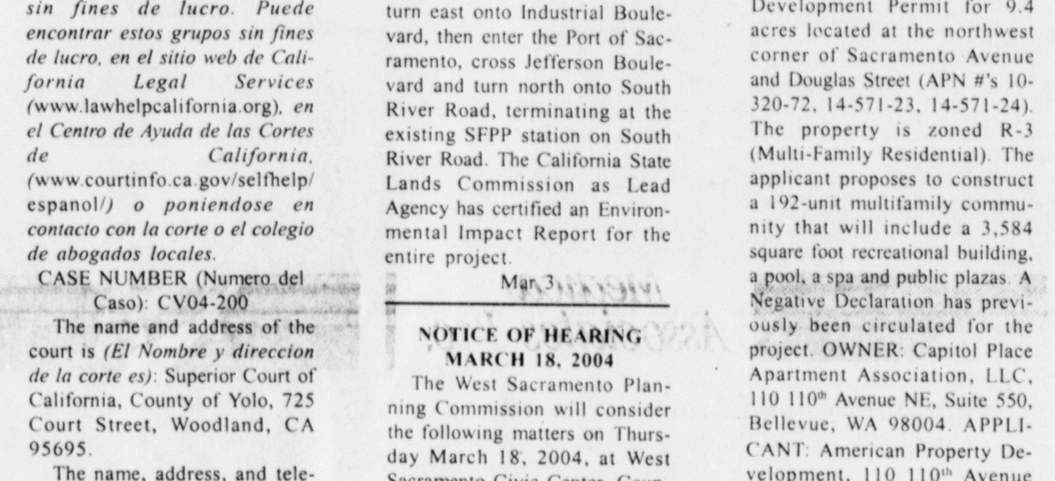
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'Across the Bridge':

Events around the West Sac region

Storytelling performance

The Sacramento Storytellers Guild, a non-profit arts organization dedicated to promoting the art of storytelling, will hold a free performance on March 11th from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at the Hart Center, 27th and J Streets in Sacramento. The theme will be "Strong Women". Donations are accepted. For more information, call 348-7764.

Genealogy society meets

The next meeting of the Sacramento German Genealogy Society will be on March 23rd at 1 p.m. at St. Mark's United Methodist Church on Lusk Drive at St. Mark's Way in Sacramento. The speaker will be Chuck Knuthson and the program will be "A Family History Treasure: World War I Draft Registration Records." For more information, call 782-5704.

Spring egg-stravaganza

Bunnies will abound at Fairytale Town, 3901 Land Park Drive in Sacramento on April 3-4. Peter Rabbit will be hopping around with Flopsy, Mopsy and Cottontail to help uncover all the hidden tiny treasures tucked away in Pooh's Corner during the mini-egg hunt.

For admission costs and other information, call 264-5233 or go to www.fairytaletown.org.

Daughters of American Revolution meet

The Sacramento Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet on March 6th at the Carmichael Elks Lodge, 5631 Cypress Avenue in Carmichael. The meeting will begin at 11 a.m., followed by lunch. A $13 check for lunch must be received by March 1. Please send check to Jane Russell, Treasurer, 631 Cricket Ct., Sacramento CA. The speaker will be James Dickie of Livermore Laboratory. The public is invited.

Quilt day for kids

The Folsom Quilt & Fiber Guild will hold their 9th Annual Quilt Day for Kids on March 20th at 9 a.m. and noon at the Lakeside Church, Oak Avenue Parkway in Folsom. The event will provide elementary age children an opportunity to explore a variety of fiber, fabric and quilt related projects. Free refreshments included. Call 483-0550 for more information.

Folk dancing festival

The 48th Annual Camellia Folk Dance Festival will be held March 14th at the CSUS University Union Ballroom from 1 p.m to 3:30 p.m., followed by easy dances taught until 5 p.m. Admission is $6 (CSUS students and children under 18 free). Tickets may be purchased from the CSUS box office (278-4323. For more information, call 371-4441.

Japanese food festival

Sacramento's Buddhist Church Women's Association and Adult Buddhist Association will hold their Annual Spring Japanese Food Festival on March 14th at 10:30 a.m. at the Sacramento Buddhist Church, 2401 Riverside Boulevard in Sacramento. Chicken teriyaki, maki sushi, beef teriyaki sandwiches and much more will be available. For more information, call 446-0121.

Light opera

The Light Opera Theatre of Sacramento will present "The Mikado", Gilbert & Sullivan's most popular light opera, February 13 through March 7 at the 24th Street Theater, 2791 24th Street in Sacramento. For ticket information call 978-5800.

Camellia show

The Camellia Society of Sacramento's 80th Annual Show will be held March 6-7 at the Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, 1515 "J" Street. In addition to the approximately 5,000 Camellia blooms on display there will be competitive flower arrangements featuring Camellias. Admission is free.

Alzheimer's society meets

The Alzheimer's Aid Society of Northern California Support Group for the Memory Impaired will meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday in March at 10:30 a.m. at the Alzheimer's Aid Society Office, 2641 Cottage Way, Suite #4 in Sacramento. For more information on other related groups and meetings, call 448-7001.

Widowed persons meet

The Widowed Persons Association of California encourages widowed men and women to come to Sunday Support get-togethers each Sunday from 3-5 p.m. at the Widowed Persons Association office, located at 2628 El Camino Avenue, Suite D-18.

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The only good news for the 49ers is that if they release him it would eliminate his entire salary by 2005. The 49ers already released Garrison Hearst and Derrick Deese to free up some salary cap room. If the Niners let Garcia go they will promote Tim Rattay to the starting spot with Ken Dorsey and Brandon Doman fighting for the back up position and I'll be stuck with a 49ers Jeff Garcia jersey!

Good thing Jeff doesn't have Terrell Owens' agent, David Joseph, working out a deal for him. Owens's agent saved the 49ers some cash by missing the February 21 deadline to file for free agency. Joseph said the NFL didn't notify him of the change in filing the free agent papers. Funny thing -- Joseph was the only agent who missed the deadline! Owens is now stuck with the 49ers unless they trade him. The 49ers will trade T.O. but the mistake will help the team pick up some high draft picks. The agent's mistake cost Terrell millions of dollars plus the crow he's eating this week must taste pretty bad.

All NFL teams must be under the $80.5 million salary cap by Wednesday, March 3rd. Former 49ers running back, Charlie Garner paid his way off the Oakland Raiders roster. Garner wrote the Raiders a check for $400,000 that will void is final year contract with the Raiders and make him an unrestricted free agent. The Silver and Black have some serious salary cap problems!

Boxing News

Former World Champion from Sacramento, Diego Corrales, will have a 12 round rematch with Cuban Joel Casamayor on Saturday night. The two warriors will fight for the WBO super-feather-weight title that will be televised on Showtime (6:30 p.m.) from the Foxwoods Resort Casino in Connecticut.

Congratulations to Vicente Escobedo of Woodland. The 132-pounder earned a shot on the U.S. Olympic boxing team. Escobedo out pointed Anthony Peterson of Washington D.C. in the Olympic Box Offs in Cleveland. Vinny must now place at least one second-place finish in one of the two qualifying tournaments. The first will be in March in Tijuana, Mexico or in the second tournament in Brazil the following month. Another step closer to Olympic Gold!

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OPINION

News-Ledger Editorial

'Q' is for questions

This particular page of your News-Ledger is headed for the printing press a little early, when all the campaigning is done but the results of yesterday's election are not yet in. And that might provide just the right moment for a few comments on Washington Unified School District and its sponsorship of Measure Q, the $52 million bond issue planned to help West Sacramento build a long-needed new high school.

As of last week, the bond's campaigners were expecting around a 15 percent "cushion" of votes above and beyond the 55 percent voter approval they need to pass Measure Q. This projection may prove a bit rosy, but the measure does appear headed for passage. What the school district may not understand, though, is that there are dangers if Measure Q passes, just as there are dangers if it doesn't.

West Sacramento wants a new high school and wants a new school bond – let's get those points out of the way. This community believes that River City High School is overcrowded and that the RCHS campus is a drag on the city's educational, social and commercial future.

Many of those who voted "no" on this measure, then, are not objecting to the idea of a high school bond, but to the ideas and leadership surrounding this particular bond. Some are not convinced about the high school site chosen by the district. Some are not adequately involved in the Gates Foundation study of how to "design" the new school. The timing and the community involvement aspects of this whole project have been troublesome. The environmental impact study on the proposed school site won't be available until well after yesterday's bond vote. The district's efforts to involve the public in the selection of the site, the design of the campus and the selection of the architect are all unfinished and have all been flawed.

All this means that despite the finality of yesterday's vote, there are plenty of question marks remaining in the plan to build a new high school.

The other problem is one of faith. This board is better than others in recent local history. But there are questions about how well this school board can be trusted to come up with a community-pleasing set of answers to these bond measure questions once they have the "blank check" of a $52 million bond measure along with the "mandate" of voter approval. This board has brought some of this lack of confidence upon itself – look to the flawed school bond process. Or look at how the board maneuvered itself into the hiring of a new superintendent last fall, ignoring pleas from local government, religious and business leaders that they conduct an open search first with community input.

Trust was damaged. Trust is never easily restored.

So if Measure Q passes, there will be a $52 million bond measure in the hands of a school board that may not learn the lessons of the bond's dissenters. The bond victory may cause the board to overestimate the "faith" and the "mandate" the board has received from local voters to design, site and build a new high school as the board pleases.

And if Measure Q doesn't pass (a long shot), there will be a school board stunned that West Sacramento "doesn't support a new high school for the kids" and a board unable to see where the true problem lies. Such a board would have a difficult time adjusting the bond measure properly and bringing it back soon – and yet that's exactly what would be needed.

The board was right when its members told West Sacramento that a new high school is necessary "because the kids can't wait," but what they haven't yet understood is that the kids also don't deserve a cart-before-the-horse approach. Precisely because this thing is critically important, it should be done once and done right.

If Measure Q has passed, the district needs to communicate better about the rest of this school-building process, and caring members of the West Sacramento community need to become vigorously involved as all of the new high school's many remaining details are nailed down.

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Did anybody have trouble figuring out how to get their absentee ballots into those envelopes provided by Yolo County? The envelopes were closed on all sides with no instructions on how to open them without destroying them. A fair number of damaged envelopes will surely arrive for counting at the elections department.

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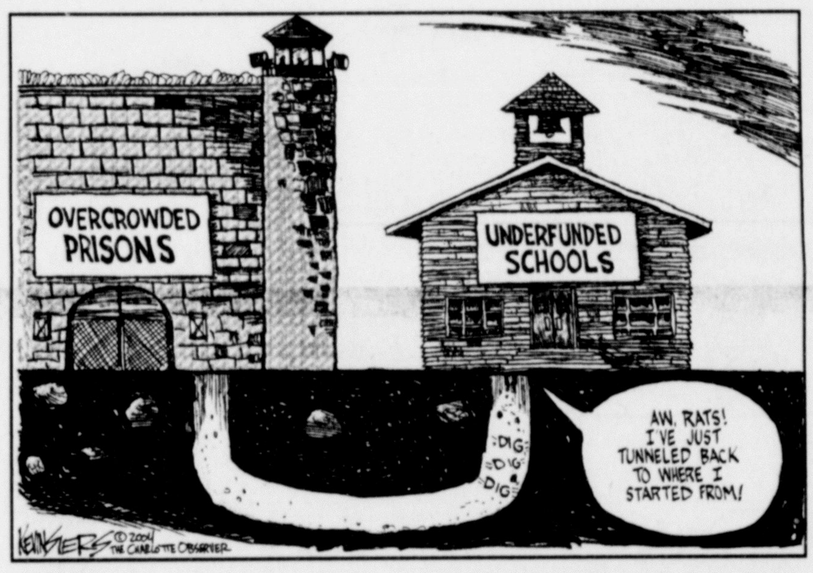
Letters to the Editor

Winners and losers

Well, it's over. Or is it? Regarding the local election propositions, some will be happy, some will be sad, and some both. Either our School Board, a.k.a. "The Gang Who Couldn't Shoot Straight" (using the mantra "Trust Me"), will have succeeded in piling even more debt on "The Children", or not. If you believed that the treat of the use of Eminent Domain wasn't a factor in the Iwasaki family's decision to accede to the bureaucratic "request" to give up the land they fought so hard to regain after WWII, watch and see what happens if they decide to stand up and fight to keep it instead. I, for one, encourage them to do so.

The other bone of contention on the ballot was regarding the position of mayor of this fair city. I would not vote in the affirmative for that, or any other measure that was crafted, presented, and passed in the dead of night. My conversation with one of the unwilling participants in that fiasco indicated to me that an "upwardly politically nubile politician" (my description) managed to shepherd this bit of legislative slight of hand right past the city council in a public meeting sometime after 1 a.m., long after the public had gone home, and the minority had no hope of fighting to bring the light of day to bear on this in an open public forum. "It ain't over 'til it's over", is it?

J. BESHARIAN
West Sacramento



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/s/Brian Kelly Rasmussen

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The following person is doing business as Traveler's Deli, 16939 Yolo St., Esparto CA:

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/s/Paula Lorenzo-Woodman
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The following person is doing business as Delta Breeze Café & Catering, 707 West Third Street, West Sacramento CA 95691:

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/s/Ronald Long

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/s/Leland F. Hazeltine

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—Latin proverb

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
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The following person is doing business as Duong's Asian Market, 2949 West Capitol Ave., West Sacramento CA 95691:

Tommy Duong, 540 Hawkcrest Cir., Sacramento CA 95835.

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/s/Tommy Duong

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File No. 2004-040

The following person is doing business as K2 Technical Services, 1411 West Covell Blvd., Suite 106, Davis CA 95616:

Jeffrey M. Boone, 2929 Boathouse Ave., Davis CA 95616.

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/s/Jeffrey M. Boone

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File No. 2004-090

The following person is doing business as Rick's Gas Station, 45 15th Street, West Sacramento CA 95691:

Vichai Arunyakasem, 4360 S River Rd., W. Sac. CA 95691.

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File No. 2004-081

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/s/Seow-Kar Siew

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At their regular meeting on March 10, 2004, the West Sacramento City Council is scheduled to adopt Ordinance 04-6 amending the City's PERS contract to include elected officials; Ordinance 04-3 repealing and enacting Chapter 15.14 of the Municipal Code concerning fire sprinklers and other miscellaneous changes; and Ordinance 04-7 amending and re-enacting Chapter 15.12 of the Municipal Code concerning fire sprinklers and other miscellaneous changes.

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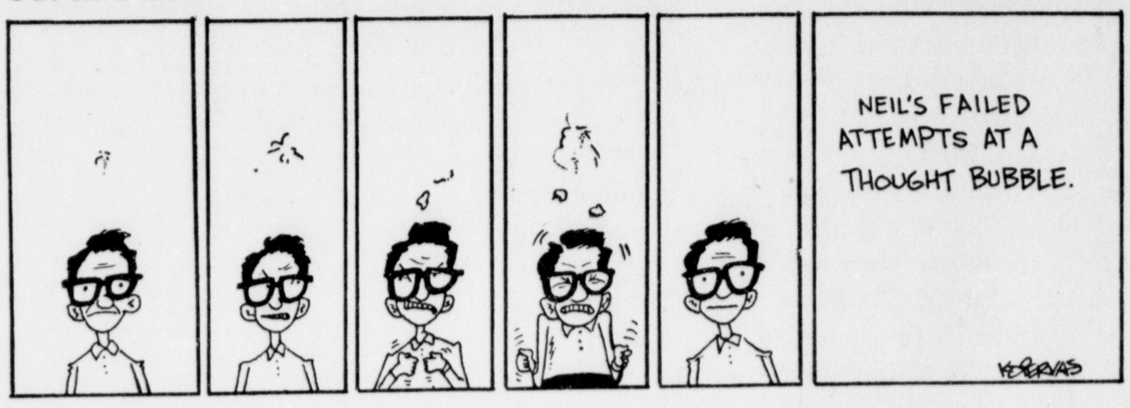
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by Gary Kopervas



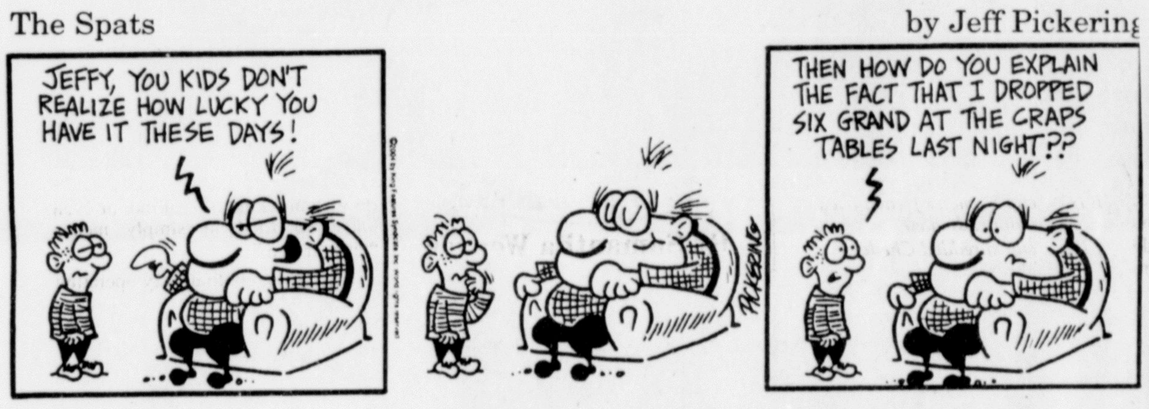
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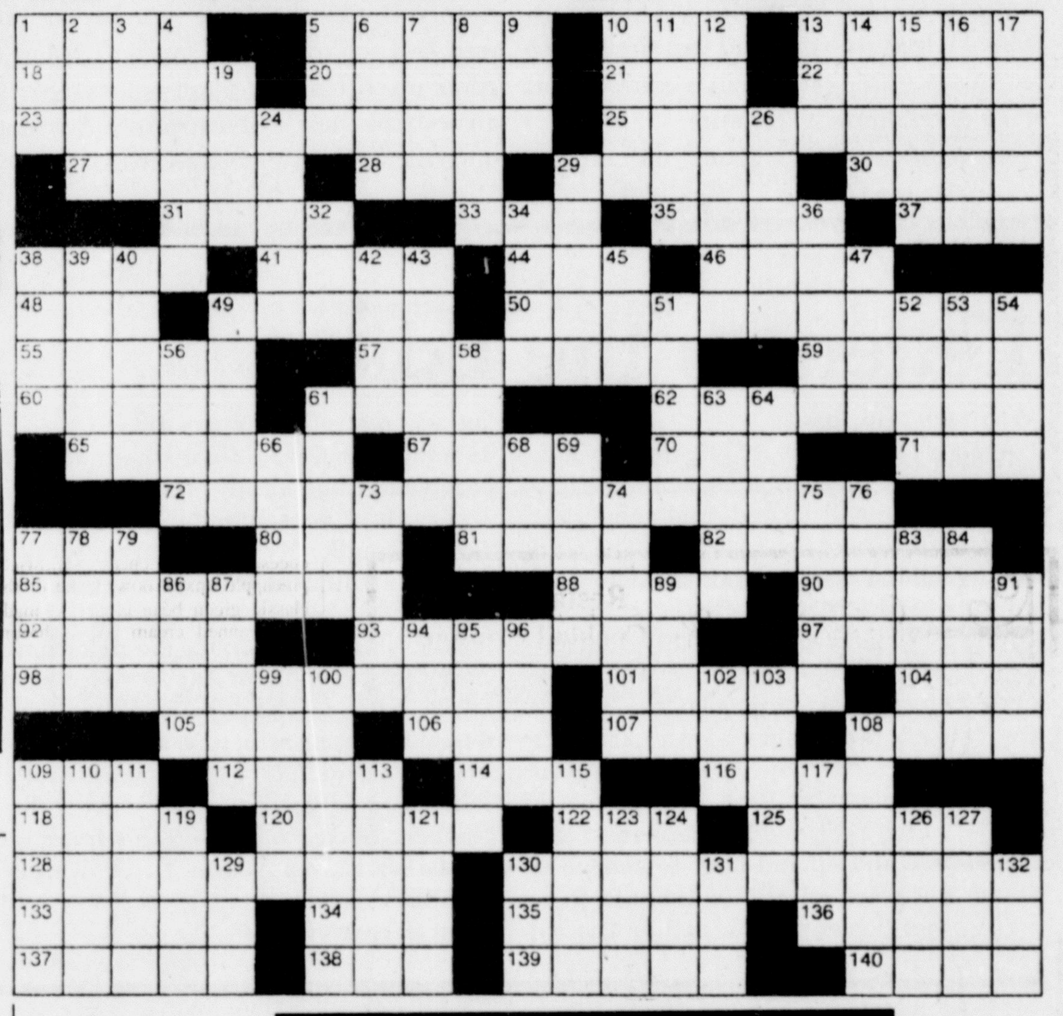




Super Crossword

ACROSS
1 In addition
5 Throw out
10 Spoil
13 Deadly
18 Soprano Mitchell
20 Country home
21 — trip
22 Actress Eleniak
23 Start of a remark by Kirk Kirkpatrick
25 Of interest to Byrd
27 "The Woman —" ('84 film)
28 Football's Luckman
29 Beg
30 Can't stand
31 Like sale merchandise
33 Bath, e.g.
35 Sunflower support
37 Aye opponent
38 — year
41 Close
44 Baseball's Mel
46 Marge in the fridge
48 Every last bit
49 Singer McKee
50 Part 2 of remark
55 Taco topping
57 Makeup removers
59 Braga or Sanchez
60 That's no bull!
61 Petite pie
62 Wages
65 Menuhin's teacher
67 Rounded roof
70 Language suffix
71 Boy king
72 Part 3 of remark
77 Heifer or hen
80 Ipanema's locale
81 Warty one
82 Porthos' pal
85 Faraway place
88 Director Reitman
90 Detection device
92 Violinist Mischa
93 Arizona town
97 Northern hemisphere?
98 Part 4 of remark
101 '39 Wimbledon winner
104 Santa —, CA
105 Sojourn
106 "Ben- —"
107 Neighbor of Java
108 Rock's Stefani
109 Brit. fliers
112 Jazzman Zoot
114 Female elephant
116 Mythological meany
118 Pennsylvania port
120 Bite
122 Charles S. Dutton sitcom
125 Spanish dramatist
128 A Dead End Kid
130 End of remark
133 Subside
134 Jack of "Flower Drum Song"
135 Cosmetician Lauder
136 New Archangel, now
137 Made a bundle?
138 Big bang letters
139 Yarn
140 For fear that

DOWN
1 Urban transport
2 Utah city
3 Any time now
4 Swaddle
5 Little rocker?
6 Lively dances
7 Morlocks' prey
8 Oafs
9 Smidgen
10 It should be square
11 Bronte's "— Grey"
12 Type of muscle
13 — -de-lance
14 Shoe part
15 Big guy
16 Japanese dog
17 Cagney's partner
19 Leon of "Mister Ed"
24 Minnesota city
26 Writer Rogers St. Johns
29 Couturier Jean
32 Round Table title
34 Handshakers
36 The Brainy Bunch?
38 Glasgow girl
39 Gladden
40 Writer Drury
42 "Bhagavad- —"
43 Beehive or bouffant
45 Poetic monogram
47 Smell
49 Jean of "Upstairs, Downstairs"
51 Ruhr Valley city
52 "What's — for me?"
53 Place
54 Queue tip?
56 Takes in
58 Portly
61 Namely
63 City on the Nile
64 Annealing oven
66 Irish county
68 Hua's predecessor
69 Monitor message
73 Mormon leader
74 Infinitive splitter, often
75 Desert refuge
76 Downtown miasma
77 Dance maneuver
78 Boot —
79 Poet Lazarus
83 Dowry downside?
84 French river
86 Salutes the moon?
87 Components
89 — Minor
91 Colt color
94 Fireworks reaction
95 "Alceste" composer
96 Curly coif
99 Chan portrayer
100 She'll flip for you
102 Day- —
103 Tenor Beniamino
108 Little pet
109 Change for the better
110 Oranjestad's locale
111 Ultimate
113 Drawing room
115 Pulse place
117 "Friends" role
119 Ending for leather
121 Thicken
123 Nobelist Stern
124 "Dark Lady" singer
126 Sheep shed
127 Interrogates
129 Oxford omega
130 Craven or Unseld
131 "— Paula" ('63 song)
132 Tended a tot

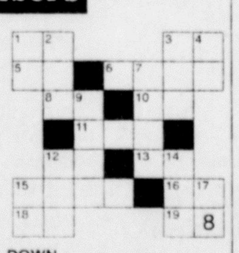


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Rational Numbers

by Linda Thistle

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the diagram.



ACROSS
1. Consecutive digits in descending order
3. One-half of 15-Down
5. 1-Across plus 16-Across
6. Three times 7-Down
8. Consecutive digits in ascending order
10. Consecutive digits in ascending order
11. 2-Down plus 3-Down
12. Six more than 15-Down
13. Consecutive digits in ascending order
15. Six times 11-Across
16. 8-Across minus 4-Down
18. Forty less than 8-Across
19. Fifty more than 12-Across

DOWN
1. Seven less than 10-Across
2. Seven times 1-Down
3. Five times 18-Across
4. One-sixth of 19-Across
7. Five more than 15-Across
9. 6-Across plus 12-Down
12. Ten less than 14-Down
14. The last digit is the sum of the other digits
15. Same digit repeated
17. Four times 13-Across

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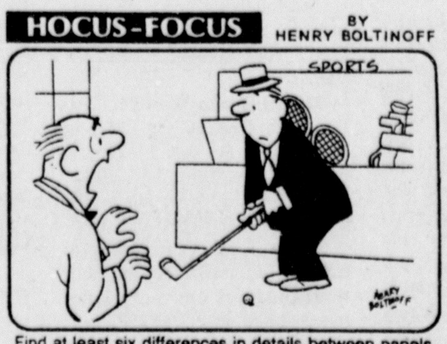
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

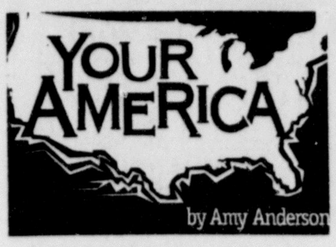


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DINING, TRAVEL & ENTERTAINMENT



Travel Tips

Q: I have been planning to take a road trip this summer with my family. We have a destination in mind, but I was wondering if there is a good source for plotting attractions along the way. — *J.C.*

A: There is a wonderful book now in its third edition called "Road Trip USA" by Jamie Jensen ($25, Avalon Travel Press), which takes readers on a journey over more than 35,000 miles of blacktop. I have found it to be a valuable resource for pit-stop fillers on my own journeys. It is full of fascinating local lore and even highlights annual festivals, so you can check the calendar to see if your journey will take you through a town swinging with celebration. You might also check the following Web sites, which are filled with off-the-beaten-path stops: www.roadtripamerica.com, www.roadsideamerica.com, and from the book, www.roadtripusa.com.

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Q: Where can I find out about festivals in or near my own area? — *M.M.*

A: You can start with what is in your hands. Newspapers — particularly smaller regional or weekly publications — regularly feature area festivals; check the entertainment and/or travel section. Also, local entertainment guides are a great resource. As an online resource, you'll find none better than www.festivals.com. You can search by state, city or keyword, narrowing down by month. I recommend it highly.

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Q: I saw an ad to rent a local person's recreational vehicle. The idea is great, but I am leery of just renting someone's vehicle. Any ideas? — *B.M.*

A: Check your phone book for a local RV rental broker. Or, find one with a national RV rental service, such as El Monte RV (www.elmonte.com, 1-888-337-2214) or Cruise America (www.cruiseamerica.com, 1-800-327-7799). You'll have the assurances of top-notch equipment, and you have someone to call if you get in a jam. These companies periodically run specials, so check the Web sites for upcoming deals.

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Tomatoes and oregano make it Italian; wine and tarragon make it French. Sour cream makes it Russian; lemon and cinnamon make it Greek. Soy sauce makes it Chinese; garlic makes it good.

—Alice May Brock

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"50 First Dates"

Running time: 100 minutes
MPAA rating: PG-13

"Memento" and "Groundhog Day" are both modern classics dealing with revisiting the same time period over and over. "50 First Dates" shares a lot of the same plot devices, but it is far from being a classic. Maybe it's because of all the gay jokes and walrus vomit.

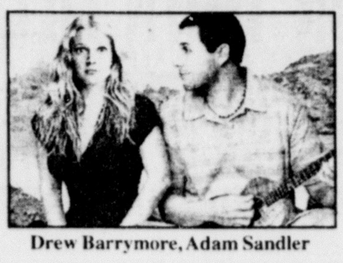
Adam Sandler stars as Henry, a veterinarian living in Hawaii. Because his girlfriend dumped him in college, he now limits himself to the short-term "romances" of chasing female tourists.

One morning at a diner he notices Lucy (Drew Barrymore) making a fort out of some waffles. Intrigued, he starts up a conversation, which leads to them spending a great day together. Henry is smitten.

The next day, he sees Lucy at the same diner, but she doesn't recognize him. Henry is told that Lucy was in an accident a year ago and has lost her short-term memory. She wakes up every day thinking it's the same Sunday in October, the day of her accident.

Lucy's father (Blake Clark) and brother (Sean Astin) do their best to cope with Lucy's affliction by spending each night washing the exact same outfit she wears, repainting her room, grabbing a fresh Sunday newspaper from a stack they've had printed, and patiently sitting with Lucy to watch "The Sixth Sense" for the umpteenth time — and each time feigning surprise at the twist ending.

Henry decides he is still going to



Drew Barrymore, Adam Sandler

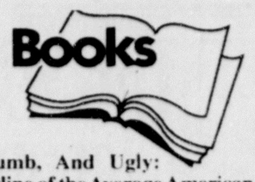
woo Lucy, and does so with the help of a video camera (to record each day's events) and the aid of his doped-up friend Ula (Rob Schneider).

This could have been a great romantic comedy, but the film sidetracks itself by throwing in too many scenes involving sick humor. It's as if Sandler didn't have the confidence to commit totally to the premise of a romantic comedy, so he hedged his bets and put in a bunch of goofy stuff just in case.

Which is too bad. He almost made a movie we'd want to revisit often. Instead, he's made half a good movie that most of us will forget tomorrow.

GRADE: C

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Fat, Dumb, And Ugly: The Decline of the Average American
by Peter Strupp
(Simon & Schuster, $9.95)
Reviewed by David Smith

Concerned citizen Peter Strupp is shocked and bothered by what he sees going on in this country. Apparently, we are not as thin, smart or good-looking as we think we are.

Sixty-four percent (about 127 million) of Americans are overweight. This year each of us will pound down 110 pounds of meat, six gallons of ice cream and 160 pounds of sugar (and other sweeteners). Before we reach age 65, most of us will have spent 9 years of our lives watching television. Five percent of Americans have actually spoken to Satan.

Using census data and facts gleaned from numerous polls, "Fat, Dumb, And Ugly" paints a humorous and often disturbing picture of American Life. For instance:

Total American expenditure on fast food in 1970: $6 billion.

Total American expenditure on fast food in 2000: $110 billion.

We now spend more on fast food than we do on higher education.

Twenty percent of Americans believe we didn't actually go to the moon.

Average number of vacation days in the United States: 13

Average number of vacation days in France: 37

Average number of vacation days in Italy: 42

Almost 60 percent of American fourth-graders don't know why the Pilgrims came to America; 25 percent of Americans believe there are aliens living among us; 7 percent believe Elvis is still alive.

And probably the most telling statistic of all: Percentage of Americans who are very proud to be American citizens: 84.

Books reviewed in this column are available at your local bookstore.

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• On **March 12, 1888,** the most severe winter storm ever to hit the New York City region reaches blizzard proportions, costing hundreds of lives and millions of dollars in property damage. The 36-hour blizzard dumped some 40 inches of snow on the city.

• On **March 9, 1917,** several hundred Mexican guerrillas under the command of Francisco "Pancho" Villa cross the U.S.-Mexican border and attack the small border town of Columbus, N.M. Seventeen Americans were killed in the raid, and President Woodrow Wilson ordered the Army into Mexico to capture the rebel leader dead or alive.

• On **March 10, 1926,** "Lolly Willowes, or The Loving Huntsman," the first Book-of-the-Month Club selection, is published by Viking Press. The book was written by English novelist Sylvia Townsend Warner, who had intended to become a musicologist, not a writer.

• On **March 14, 1931,** the Trans-Lux Theater opens in Manhattan. It was the first theater specifically designed and built to show movies that were rear-projected.

• On **March 8, 1936,** Daytona Beach, Fla., stages its first race strictly for stock cars on a combination beach and public roadway course. The race is remembered as the impetus for today's NASCAR.

• On **March 13, 1980,** Henry Ford II resigns as Chairman of the Ford Motor Co., and the era of the Ford family as an automotive dynasty temporarily ended.

• On **March 11, 1989,** reality-based TV show "Cops" is first broadcast nationally on the Fox network. The fledgling network took the show after the major networks passed on it, and stunned the industry by producing a popular show that spawned numerous other reality-based programs.

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Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• The first TV show to go off the air while it was still top-rated was "I Love Lucy," in 1957. Since then, there have only been two other shows to end at the peak of popularity: "The Andy Griffith Show" in 1968, and "Seinfeld" in 1998.

• Until the mid-1800s, "Shirley" was actually a name given to boys, not girls.

• It was Will Rogers who observed, "The magazines are full of bunk when they write about a fellow winning fame and fortune by working hard and sticking to one job. All of you know, as well as I do, it was some accident started you off on the right track."

• Scotch whisky was first created in 1494 — by friars.

• Sushi restaurants are very trendy places to eat these days, but not many people know that the literal translation of the word "sushi" has nothing to do with any kind of seafood, or even uncooked food. It simply means "vinegar rice."

• The oldest continuously operating brewery in the world has been at it for more than 960 years — in Germany, of course.

• In 1843, it was recorded that an alligator fell from the sky in Charleston, S.C.

• It's well-known that spiders spin thread into webs for living on or for trapping insects to eat. One species, however, uses them in a unique way: It spins a small web and then uses it as a net to catch its prey.

• Ever wonder what the "B" stands for in the brand name "Oral B"? Appropriately enough, it stands for "brush."

• Referring to the music of Wagner, Mark Twain once said, "It's not as bad as it sounds."

THE CHOPPING BLOCK

by Philomena Corradeno

TURKEY POT PIE HAS NO-FUSS BISCUIT CRUST

Maybe you're too young to long for a comfort food. Maybe not. Maybe yours is macaroni and cheese, a grilled cheese sandwich, pineapple upside-down cake or the classic green bean casserole made with canned cream of mushroom soup and canned french fried onions, a favorite dish of many families for a couple of generations. That's OK. Mine is a fennel-flavored ground pork patty enfolded in a pastry square. (And I can't find my mother's version of this old McCall's recipe.)

One truly comforting dish is a steaming pot pie. Not one from the frozen foods case or even the gourmet take-out boutique, but homemade with plenty of meat, poultry or seafood, the essential potatoes and peas and carrots, with herbs and spices that complement the filling, and just enough sauce or gravy to pull the whole thing together, under a lid of pie crust, biscuits or cornbread.

Even if you've never scrambled an egg, you can put together this tasty turkey pot pie made with convenience ingredients. No leftover turkey? Buy a thick slice at the deli and cut in into cubes. The filling is herbed with thyme, and the topping is a biscuit mix flavored with french fried onions and Cheddar cheese.



TURKEY POT PIE, ONION BISCUIT TOPPING

- *1 (1.8-ounce) package classic white sauce mix*
- *2 3/4 cups milk, divided*
- *1/4 teaspoon dried thyme leaves*
- *1 (10-ounce) package frozen peas and carrots, thawed*
- *1 medium potato, cut in 1/2-inch cubes, cooked*
- *10 ounces cooked turkey or chicken, cut in bite-size pieces*
- *1 cup all-purpose baking mix (biscuit mix)*
- *1 1/3 cup French's french fried onions, divided*
- *1/2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese*

Preheat oven to 400 F. Prepare white sauce mix according to package directions using 2 1/4 cups milk; stir in thyme leaves. Mix together thawed peas and carrots, cooked potato, turkey and prepared white sauce in shallow 2-quart casserole.

Combine baking mix, 2/3 cup French's french fried onions and remaining 1/2 cup milk in medium bowl until blended. Drop by 6 to 8 spoonfuls on top of turkey mixture. Bake 25 minutes or until biscuits are golden. Sprinkle biscuits with cheese and remaining french fried onions. Bake 3 minutes, or until cheese melts and onions are golden. Makes 6 servings.

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NEW PRODUCT NEWS: Specialty Cheese Co. has introduced a line of low-carb cheese snacks: "Just the Cheese," crunchy little rounds of natural Wisconsin cheese baked without any additives. Each serving of one-half of a 2-ounce bag has more than 10 grams of protein, more calcium than a pint of milk and only 1 gram of carbohydrates and 150 calories. There are 11 flavors. Also new is its 8-ounce packages of Frying Cheese, small cubes of low-carb semi-soft cheese. Each 1-ounce serving has only 1 gram of carbohydrates. Available in plain, Jalapeño, and Pineapple and Mango. Simply drop cubes into a non-stick or lightly oiled skillet, fry 1 minute on each side and you'll have a golden outside and creamy interior.

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Comfort foods

Made fast and healthy

by JoAnna M. Lund

St. Patrick's Day Feast

On this grand day, you don't even have to be Irish to be part of the clan! Just wear green, put a shamrock in your hair and stir up this great dish. Before you know it, your "Irish Eyes" will be smiling!

MEATBALLS & GRAVY ON COLCANNON

- *16 ounces extra-lean ground sirloin beef or turkey breast*
- *6 tablespoons dried fine bread crumbs*
- *1 teaspoon dried parsley flakes*
- *1 (12-ounce) jar fat-free beef gravy*
- *3 cups hot water*
- *3 cups shredded cabbage*
- *2 cups instant potato flakes*
- *2 teaspoons dried onion flakes*
- *1/4 cup no-fat sour cream*

In a large bowl, combine meat, bread crumbs and parsley flakes. Mix well to combine. Form into 24 (1-inch) balls. Place meatballs in a large skillet sprayed with butter-flavored cooking spray. Brown meatballs on all sides. Spoon gravy evenly over meatballs. Lower heat, cover and simmer while making colcannon. Meanwhile, in a large saucepan, bring water and cabbage to a boil. Remove from heat. Stir in potato flakes and onion flakes. Add sour cream. Mix gently just to combine. For each serving, place 2/3 cup potato mixture on a serving plate, arrange 4 meatballs on potato mixture and evenly spoon gravy over top. Makes 6 servings.

• Each serving equals: 247 calories, 7 g fat, 18 g protein, 28 g carb., 502 mg sodium, 2 g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 2 Meat, 1 1/2 Starch, 1/2 Vegetable.

Visit JoAnna's Web site at www.healthyexchanges.com or call her at 1-800-766-8961 for more information about her "common folk" healthy recipes.

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CELEBRITY extra

by Evelyn Green

Q: I have two reactions to seeing the slimmed-down Anna Nicole Smith. The first is, I don't like it, because I think she's lost some of that almost childlike charm she had when she was heavier. But that's just my opinion. Second, has she said how she managed to lose all that weight in just a few months? — *H.L.*

A: Anna Nicole Smith says she shed 50 pounds working out with a nationally known spa. And now that she's become its spokeswoman, no doubt we'll hear details of her avoirdupois shedding triumph in the course of her activities on its behalf.

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Q: Whatever happened to the television show "The Lyon's Den"? — *Isabel H.*

Q: I used to enjoy watching Rob Lowe on "The West Wing" before he went over to "The Lyon's Den." My question is, is it true that he's related to "West Wing" star Martin Sheen? And how does Chad Lowe fit into his family (structure)? — *Jeanette R.*

A: To Isabel: While "The Lyon's Den" was a favorite with a lot of people who tuned in faithfully, there just weren't enough of them to provide the kind of ratings that would have kept it on the air.

A: To Jeanette: Martin Sheen and Rob Lowe are not related. However, Lowe is a close friend of two of Sheen's sons, Charlie Sheen and Emlio Estevez, with whom he shared "Brat Pack" status during the 1980s.

Chad Lowe ("Acceptable Risk") is Rob Lowe's brother. The siblings also have two half-brothers.

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Q: In the movie "Miracle," Kurt Russell plays the coach (Herb Brooks) of the U.S. hockey team that won the gold medal at the 1980 Olympics. I noticed that as the coach, he did a lot of skating in the movie. My questions is, was that actually Kurt on the ice, or did someone stand in for him in those skating scenes? — *Jerry H.*



Anna Nicole Smith

A: Kurt Russell is said to be pretty good on the ice, and, we're told, he did all those skating scenes himself.

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Q: Please settle a dispute between my mother and myself: (Mom) says that Miguel Ferrer ("Crossing Jordan") is related by marriage to Audrey Hepburn's two sons, who are also named Ferrer. I don't think so. What do you say? — *Keri R.*

A: Your mom may be thinking of Audrey Hepburn's former husband, Mel Ferrer, who was the father of one of her sons, Sean Ferrer. The other son is from her marriage to Andrea Dotti. Miguel Ferrer's father was the late actor Jose Ferrer. There was an article many years ago that indicated a family-tree relationship between Mel and Jose Ferrer dating back several hundred years in Spain.

Have a question for Evelyn? E-mail her at letters.kfws@hearstsc.com, or write to her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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LOCAL ITEMS

The Sacramento River registered 4 feet 2 inches U. S. gauge at the S. P. bridge yesterday. This is as low a stage of the river for this time of the year as can be remembered by the oldest settlers. During the summer season the river was seldom lower. This is a great disappointment to the fishermen of this locality who expected a raise some time ago with a consequent run of salmon. There seems to be no salmon in the river now and few if any men are spending any time fishing.

Word from San Francisco is to the effect that Mrs. Cecilia Hart has been very sick since before Christmas.

J. A. Clifton is at home after spending a week with his daughter in San Francisco.

Mrs. Belle Porter is about to open a restaurant in the Waring building at Second and Harriett streets. The restaurant will be located in the old butcher shop. It will be opened some day next week. Many single men who have been forced to go to Sacramento for their meals will welcome Mrs. Porter into the business.

Yesterday Mrs. George Beale underwent an operation in a Sacramento hospital. She was feeling nicely last night and her relatives are looking for an early recovery.

At the suggestion of the Washington Improvement Club, Judge Barry is having his property on Ann street filled several feet. The club is solicitous for the welfare of all the people and its suggestion was followed by the Judge as soon as it was made. This may be an inducement to several other property owners whose places should be filled to grade. Surface water is liable to cause damage before the winter is over.

A warrant was sworn to yesterday by G. C. Lauken, clerk of the Sacramento River School District, against J. D. Riviera for keeping his children out of school. Two of the Riviera children have been kept at home to work on the farm although under the school age limit. The case will be tried some day next week.

Miss Doris North after an extended visit with friends in Berkeley and Vallejo has returned to her home in Washington.

Claudio Barragan was placed under arrest last Wednesday on a warrant sworn to by R. Campbell. Campbell claims that Barragan fired two shots at him and tried to take his life. Barragan was admitted to bail in the sum of $250 and his trial will take place Saturday at 10:30 a. m. in Judge Barry's Court.

A festival with booths representative of the seasons was planned Wednesday for February 20th by a committee of the Parent-Teacher Association. In each booth refreshments suitable to the seasons will be served. An elaborate program is planned, of which the numbers given by the children of the school will be under the direction of Miss Helen Holt, as chairman, and the other teachers of the school.

Other numbers will be planned by Mrs. A. A. Dassonville and Mrs. I. K. Manchester.

The booths with the members in charge are: Spring, Mrs. E. Kleiman; Summer, Miss Helen Holt and Mrs. Belle Parkinson; Autumn, Mrs. , K. Manchester; Winter, Mrs. A. A. Dassonville.

The Washington Fire Commissioners have announced that the next dance to be given by them will take place in the Town Hall on January 31st.

The infant daughter of A. Veiga died last Wednesday soon after birth. Mrs. Veiga is improving.

Mrs. Ofa Conrad and daughter, Clara, have returned from a weekend visit in St. Helena.

Mrs. T. Evans, Miss Elaine Schafer and Miss Elva Brietzke after spending a two weeks' visit at the home of Mrs. C. C. Cooper in Winters, have returned to Washington.

Mrs. Belle Porter returned yesterday from Oroville, where she went to attend the funeral of her sister, the late Mrs. Cantua, who died last week in San Jose.

The Washington School re-opened Monday after the Christmas vacation with the record first-day attendance of 202 pupils.

In the Town Hall last Saturday night a pleasant entertainment was given by several youngsters who have formed an organization to entertain their friends. Those in the little company are: Dolly Keenright, Marie Thomas, Ruth Thomas, Helen Dassonville, Ruth Rickard, Mary Moser, Alberta Conrad, Francis Bennett, Kenneth Van Deren and William Norton.

Charles Cutter of Davis narrowly escaped injury last Tuesday evening when he last control of an automobile he was driving and went through the guide railing on the Southern Pacific bridge 100 feet from I street. According to Patrolman William Wilson, who reported the accident to the Police Station, Cutter said he was was going up the grade of the bridge from I street, and his machine suddenly swerved to one side and went through the fence. It was brought to a stop before it went over the side, however, after being badly damaged. Cutter was uninjured.

Saturday night, December 27th, Mr. and Mrs. M. Powell of Riverbank entertained their son, Tom, and his partner, W. Lawrence at their home in great style. The two young men had come for the holidays spending Christmas at Riverbank, Washington and Sacramento. A great feed was prepared by Mrs. Powell and Mr. Powell had something to wash it down. Those present as guests were: Thomas Powell, William Lawrence, John Rinyon, Miss E. Rinyon, Miss Mary Traversi, Miss E. Miller, Miss Stella Powell, Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. Evercart. On Sunday afternoon they returned to their ranch in the Sutter Basin.

Duck season closes on January 31st and has been more or less of a disappointment to the sports throughout the valley. True some good pots have been brought home but at no time was there a big supply of game.

Miss Florence Palm was at home for the holiday season spending several days with her parents.

Mrs. Wm. Wilson is home from San Francisco where she spent Christmas and New Year with relatives.

THE WASHINGTON IMPROVEMENT CLUB IS ACTIVELY INTERESTED IN TOWN FILLING

GAS RATES WILL BE CLOSELY WATCHED WHEN SUPPLY IS AVAILABLE FOR RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN

At the regular meeting of the Washington Improvement Club last Tuesday evening considerable time was devoted to the question of town filling and the proposal to supply gas through a pipe line leading from the Sacramento Gas Works.

In the matter of townfilling it will be necessary, under the proposed plan, to get the consent of all property owners in the district. For this purpose it was decided that each member of the club would become a missionary in favor of the proposal, asking their neighbors to join this worthy idea.

Many reasons has been advanced in favor of town filling, but that most valid one is the great increase of property values immediately following the filling.

Many people believe that Washington property would be increased in value to equal that prevailing in the western portions of Sacramento.

Lots valued in Washington to-day at about $1500 would certainly climb to at least $8000 and others proportionately.

Then again there would be the added advantage of a quick fall for surface water to the westward. This in itself is no mean advantage, because during winter rains the conditions prevailing on the streets is anything but agreeable.

The only cost to property owners in accomplishing town filling would be that of raising their homes, which would vary between $150 and $250.

In this particular, however, there might be framed a combined contract between the parties in each block whereby a less figure might be secured.

In addition there is the assurance of Sacramento bankers that funds would readily be advanced to property owners at a very reasonable rate of interest with long payments.

The Improvement Club is urging all its members to see their neighbors, explaining these advantages and asking their good will for the proposal.

It should be borne in mind that nothing may be done until the necessity arrives next fall of dredging a boat channel in the river for steamers.

Last fall dredgers were used by the Federal Government to keep a channel clear for navigation, and the sand excavated at that time was simply moved to another portion of the river-bed. Already that sand has been washed back into the holes from which it was taken.

If the Federal Government should use a suction dredger instead of a clamshell dredger the removal of the sand would be permanent if it were pumped outside the levee, thus filling the town and leaving a permanent river channel clear.

The cost to the Federal Government would be about the same, and yet the filling would be done without cost to the taxpayers of Washington.

On these points the members of the Washington Improvement Club intend to enlighten their neighbors and friends with the purpose of accomplishing something that is so badly needed and would be an everlasting benefit.

The objection of one property owner would be just as bad as that of several, but the hope exists that no one would be so blind as to make objection to the improvement.

The club decided to keep strict watch on the rate decided on for gas consumers when the supply is available. It is presumed that by next fall that portion of the pipe line leading to Woodland will be completed as far west as the Yolo Causeway. When completed the supply would be available at Washington and Riverbank.

The question of gas rating it is understood will be left entirely to the Railroad Commission, and a hearing will be granted whereat the consumers as well as the manufacturers will be heard.

At the next meeting of the club it was decided that the disposal of the piano owned by the club and now stored in the Town Hall will be taken up. Several offers have been made for this piano, but the club was reluctant to dispose of it. It is understood that some of the members favored trading the piano for a phonograph.

The next meeting of the club will be on Tuesday, January 20th.

DAVIS BANDITS IN LOCAL POLICE NET

Wednesday morning about 5 a. m. two young men were seen wandering into town from the direction of Davis and were suspected by Dave Barry as being the two who held up the railroad office there the night before.

Barry forced them to throw up their hands at the station on Ann street and was aided by Mike Judge, nightwatchman on the bridge and Harry Van Baaren.

Constable Buckingham was notified and the men were taken to Sacramento where one of the two confessed to the crime.

Subsequently they were returned to Davis for trial. The men gave their names as Charles Wilson and Harry Frank.

They were identified by L. Lauck, the night clerk at Davis.

In the robbery of the Davis office

CLINE LEFT ON RAILROAD CROSSING BY TRAIN CREW

At a point known as "Charlie's," a station on the Sacramento Southern Railroad near Charlie Silva's slaughterhouse south of Sutterville, last Wednesday Charles Cline was badly hurt by the Southern Pacific motor car on its afternoon trip to town.

Cline was out in his auto on a cattle buying trip. Approaching the crossing his view of the track was obscured by the cattle chute. He heard no warning bell or whistle and just as he got on the track the motor hit him, demolishing his auto and badly bruising him.

The motor did not stop, but a Japanese boy jumped off the train to help the injured man. The crew refused to take him to town and a neighbor's auto was requistioned to take Cline to a hospital.

Yesterday Cline was resting easy, but very sore. He is particularly sore at the crew of the train who refused to take him to town after demolishing his auto.

Cline is engaged in slaughtering and uses the Leinberger slaughterhouse for his work. He is well known in this locality and is a reputable gentleman.

BRIDGE OVER THE SACRAMENTO WEIR IS OPEN FOR TRAVEL

The concrete bridge over the Sacramento weir in front of the by-pass is open for travel and is in excellent shape except for the approaches which are still soft and soggy and dangerous for auto travel.

The front levee has been razed at both ends, the dirt having been used to make the above approaches.

Reinforcement of the side levees of the by-pass with concrete facing is done and at the present writing macadam is being hauled to build the roadways on top of those levees.

In a few words the Sacramento weir and by-pass is complete except for the finishing touches which are necessary.

All the front levee which formerly served as a base for the county road will soon be removed.

The gates of the weir are in place and should a flood come alone there would be no danger from overflow to Sacramento, Washington or any place as far south as Courtland.

The weir and by-pass appear to be an eternal protection from flood to the Capital City, and now that completion approaches the wisdom of their construction can be seen.

FORMER SALOON OWNER OF WOODLAND DEAD

Woodland, Jan. 5.—William G. Brunner of this city and known perhaps as well as any other resident, passed away at a hospital in Sacramento last Wednesday, concluding an illness of some months. Deceased was a native of Woodland, being born here February 8, 1879. He was the husband of Mrs. Lolita Brunner, father of Geraldine Brunner and William Brunner, brother of Mrs. Annie Simpson of Sacramento, Mrs. J. B. Riles of Pomona, Los Angeles County; Mrs. C. Roth of Woodland and Mrs. E. M. Clover of Marysville, Yuba County. He was engaged in the saloon business here for many years.

PREPARATIONS FOR ROAD BUILDING ALONG NORTH LEVEE

The several reclamation districts north of Washington as far as Elkhorn are making preparations for the concrete roadway to be built under the county road bond issue.

Fronting the Blauth district brush is being cut to permit dredgers to go to work raising the levee.

All levees will have to be placed at a certain grade before the road is built and this work must be done by the districts. Stakes have been placed by the County Engineer.

This road will make a beautiful ride when the road is completed. For eleven miles it meanders along the west bank of the river and is shaded the greater part of the way.

Fronting several districts no change in grade will be necessary as the existing grade is above the required height.

RIVERBANK INN RAIDED BY SHERIFF, CONSTABLE AND ATTORNEY

"Beware of stool pigeons," is the advice given by Al Pabst of the Riverbank Inn since his place was raided last Sunday by Sheriff Monroe, District Attorney McDonald and Constable Buckingham, aided by a stool pigeon who pretended to be a friend of Pabst even after he was placed under arrest.

In Pabst's premises there was found 2½ gals of whiskey 8 bottles of port wine and four bottles of cider all containing more than ½ of 1 per cent of alcohol.

The stoolie had been watching him for several days and landed him at last.

On Monday he pleaded guilty before Judge Barry and was fined $150 with a suspended sentence of 6 months in jail. He was given till January 15th to dispose of his business.

Pabst gives warning to all saloon owners to sell to no man not well known to them and residents of the locality.

According to a decision of the Superior Court of New York it is not immoral for a woman to smoke cigarettes.

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This week in local government

West Sacramento's city council will meet tonight in public session at 7 p.m. at 1110 West Capitol Avenue – the civic center.

Among the agenda items:

A proclamation honoring Jaime Canas for service on the Housing Advisory Commission; a resolution approving a subdivision improvement agreement for the Parella property; amendment of the zoning map for the Southwest Village of Southport; approval of a contract with the Yolo County Transportation District for design and construction of a transit center in West Sacramento; compensation agreement for the confidential unit of employees; an amendment to allow city council members to participate in the CalPERS retirement system; a proclamation declaring March "Women's History Month"; discussion of goals of youth commission; selection of six organizations to use some of the 20 days available at Raley Field's facilities;

Consideration of landscape median improvements for Park Blvd.; issuance of special tax bonds for Newport Estates and Southport Gateway; SACOG community design program grant application for the SR 275 area near the Tower Bridge and Riske Lane; Consideration of renaming State Route 275 (Tower Bridge approach) to Capitol Gateway"; change to regulations regarding residential patio covers and fire sprinkler systems; and other fire sprinkler code changes.

The **West Sacramento Planning Commission** will meet Thursday in public session at 6 p.m. at city hall.

Agenda items include a modification to conditions of parcel maps and tentative maps, regarding in-lieu housing inclousionary fees; and a report on the buildout calculations for Southport.

The **school board** of the Washington Unified School District will hold a special meeting Thursday, meeting in public session at 7:45 p.m. in the library at Golden State Middle School, 1110 Carrie Street.

The board will hear presentations from architects being considered to design a new high school, and will discuss budget-cut related items including the release of temporary certificated employees and the reduction/elimination of certificated services.

Police log

Feb. 28, 9:52 p.m.

Four men age 19 to 23 were arrested in connection with the beating and robbery of a victim in connection with an incident on Third Street. Several of the men had blood on their clothing when contacted, and a CD player stolen from the victim was found near at least two of the suspects. The victim was hospitalized with major head injuries.

Feb. 29, 9:35 a.m.

A woman in Southport said her former boyfriend stole and cashed checks from her checkbook.

Feb. 29, 10:15 a.m.

An officer recovered a stolen Honda on Rice Avenue. The car's owner didn't yet know the vehicle was missing.

Feb. 29, 10:50 a.m.

A series of car burglaries were reported near Poplar Ave., Rockrose Rd. and neighboring streets. In one such burglary on Rockrose Rd., someone broke the driver's side window of a car and stole a man's wallet -- which was later found on the ground elsewhere on Rockrose.

Feb. 29, 9 a.m.

A pickup truck was reported to have been stolen sometime in the past few hours. A person left it at a bar late at night and returned to pick it up, finding it was missing.

Feb. 29, 9:30 a.m.

An unknown suspect took two bicycles from a yard on West Capitol Ave.

March 1, 4:20 a.m.

A witness on Kellys Island Rd. saw a stolen car with a Sacramento man driving it, and followed the car until police caught up. The officers confirmed the vehicle as stolen. The driver resisted arrest but was taken into custody. The suspect was in possession of burglary tools.

March 1, 7:45 a.m.

An officer contacted a 39-year old man at a 5th St. residence. He was booked after being accused of striking his wife and preventing her from leaving.

March 1

An officer contacted a school psychologist, who reported that a minor said she was raped at a Sacramento theme park several years ago by a known suspect.

March 1, 12:18 p.m.

On Sand Piper Rd., an officer took a report that someone had entered a new, unoccupied home through an unlocked bedroom window and stolen a washer and dryer.

March 1, 3:01 p.m.

An officer saw a 43-year old man on the I Street Bridge punch a woman in the face. The woman was "heavily battered" and the man was homeless. The woman had been with the man for about 18 months. The man was arrested.

March 1, 4:26 p.m.

An officer responded to an accident in which a car struck a tree near Grande Vista nad Deerwood St.

March 1, 6:22 p.m.

On West Capitol Ave., a person reported two license plates stolen from a vehicle. A plate from another vehicle was left behind at the scene.

March 1, 7:22 p.m.

Officers were dispatched to West Capitol Ave. regarding a hang-up 911 call. A male and female in a dating relationship were contacted. The woman had scratched the man numerous times causing visible injuries. She was arrested.

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The greatest happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved—loved for ourselves, or rather, loved in spite of ourselves.

—Victor Hugo

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TUNING IN by Sally Stone

A Conversation With Judith Light

"The Stones" premieres on CBS on March 17. The comedy series focuses on a couple who have been married 25 years and decide to divorce, even though they still love each other. The show's stars include Jay Baruchel ("Undeclared") and Lindsay Sloane ("Grosse Pointe") as the couple's children. Robert Klein ("How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days") is the husband, Stan Stone; and Judith Light ("Who's the Boss?") is Barbara Stone, the wife.



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Judith Light says she was attracted to "The Stones" because "it was warm and funny and wonderfully written, and because it's the kind of story many people might find themselves living these days.

"We have this generation of older baby boomers who have spent so much of their lives doing what was expected of them," Light says. "Many of them have been extraordinarily successful in their careers — as are Barbara and Stan Stone. Like Barbara and Stan, they got married and raised children. But suddenly, they look around and think that they've somehow missed out on some aspects of their lives, and this is their last chance to search for that elusive something. They're not even sure what it is or what it might be. All they know is they have to search for it. And since they no longer feel comfortable with each other as a couple, they decided to do their searching independently of one another."

However, although on the edge of divorce, they're still living in the same house.

"Not only that," Light says, "their children are also with them. Their son hasn't left, and their daughter has come back. So, except for the fact that Barbara and Stan share different bedrooms, almost nothing would seem to have changed."

And that's because?

"Well, we know they still love each other, and I like to think they really don't want change," Light says. "But they haven't admitted that to themselves as yet."

Judith Light has been one of the country's outstanding actors since she first stepped onto the stage of "Fiddler on the Roof" and dazzled the critics with her performances. She also won two Emmys for her work as Karen Wolek on the ABC soap "One Life to Live." (Her award-winning scenes from that show continue to be used in drama schools around the country. They also became part of TV Guide's 100 Most Memorable Moments on Television.) She recently won the Helen Hayes award for her role as a dying cancer patient in the play "Wit," for which she shaved her head bald to show the effects of her character's chemotherapy treatments.

Light likes roles that are on the cutting edge. For example, some years ago she starred in a teleflick about spousal abuse. Only in this case, it was her character, the wife, who was the abuser. As Light told me then, "This is one of the dirty little secrets in our society. Yes, of course, we need to do more to protect women and children in abusive environments, but we also need to help men who are trapped in the same situations."

Light also felt "Who's the Boss?" with Tony Danza broke some molds: "We saw a man — Tony — who is secure enough in himself to become a housekeeper in a Connecticut home so his daughter could grow up in a lovely environment. And we saw a successful career woman — my character — who was secure enough to hire him."

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cated for an indoor marijuana grow," YONET reported.

At about 3 p.m., they served the search warrant and recovered 52 mature marijuana plants, growing equipment, fertilizers and cultivation literature, along with 24 individually-sealed bags, each with about an ounce of dried marijuana, said Commander Roy Giorgi of YONET.

Hansen presented agents with an expired membership card from the Oakland Cannabis Buyers organization and said the possession was for personal use and therefore legal, said Giorgi. Neither Hansen nor Gailey was arrested, although agents are seeking a complaint against them with the Yolo County District Attorney's office for cultivation of marijuana and possession for sale.

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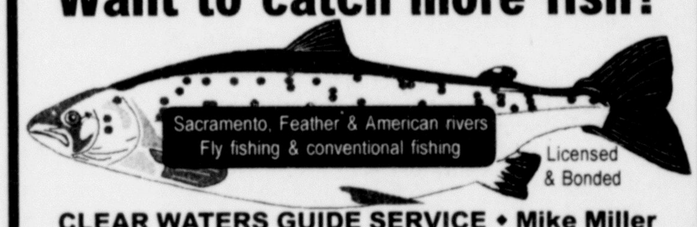
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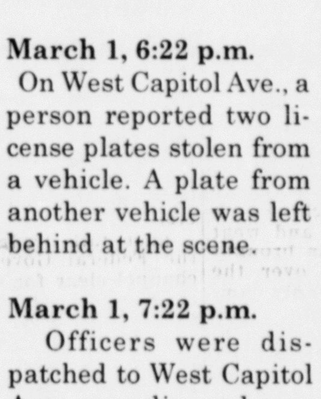
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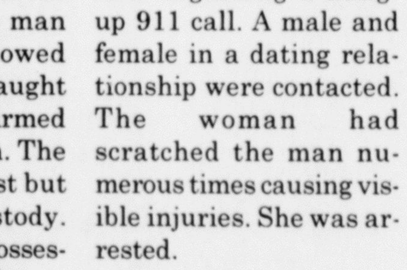
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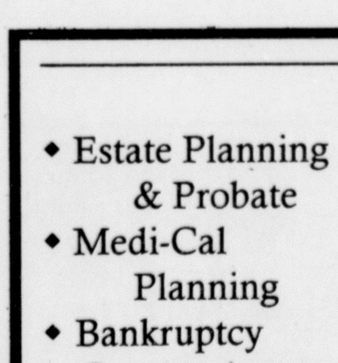
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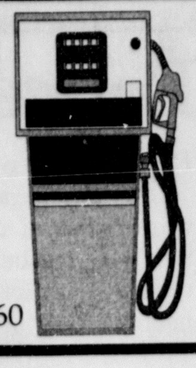
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Local Scene

Benefit for 'Meals'

Friends of "Meals on Wheels" presents the annual Epicurean Esprit, to be held Thurs., May 20. The fundraiser offers you cuisine and wine from many of Yolo County's finest chefs and winemakers, and proceeds benefit the "Meals on Wheels" program, which brings food to local shut-ins. Tickets are $40 and will go on sale April 1. Call the Elderly Nutrition Program, (530) 662-7035.

History photos

The West Sacramento Historical Society is compiling a photo history of the West Sacramento area. Anyone with old snapshots of local events, landscapes and buildings – both remote and recent – is invited to contact Jeri Hughes Wingfield at 371-7678 before early May. The society plans to copy and return photographs.

Crab feed

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762 at 905 Drever Street in West Sacramento is planning a crab feed for Saturday, March 6. A $28 donation gets you crab, pasta, salad and fixings. Call 371-7245.

OLG dinner/auction

Our Lady of Grace School will host a dinner & silent auction on Sat., March 6, at 1990 Linden Road. The auction preview begins at 5:30 p.m. $30 includes hosted bar, New York steak dinner & auction participation. Proceeds benefit school programs. For reservations, call Carol, 372-2872. For information, call the school at 371-9416.

WUSD retirees

The committee for planning the annual potluck for Washington Unified School District retirees has scheduled the event for March 21 at the West Sacramento VFW Hall. Phone contact will begin Feb. 23. If you would like to attend and do not get a call, phone 372-0961.

St. Pat's breakfast

Holy Cross Church will host a St. Patrick's Day Breakfast on Sun., March 14, from 10-11:30 a.m. at 1321 Anna Street. Cost is $4 for adults, $3 for children under 12. Scrambled eggs and ham, potatoes O'Brien and other goodies will be on the menu. Also there'll be a bake sale.

Golden Years dinner

The Golden Years Club of West Sacramento will host a potluck and corned beef cabbage dinner at the VFW Hall, 905 Drever Street, on Tues., March 16, at 6 p.m. Please bring your own service. The club serves those age 50 and over. For membership information, call 371-8479 or 371-8126.

Adult Softball

The city parks department is accepting registration for adult softball leagues, with league play beginning April 5. $365 per team includes 12 games plus playoffs. Men's, Women's, Coed and Corporate divisions are available. Deadline is March 12. Call 617-4620.

Teen basketball

Registration for teen basketball is being accepted by the city parks department. Open to teens age 13-17, the league begins March 27, with Saturday games. Player evaluation/draft is scheduled for Sat., March 13 at Golden State Middle School's gym. $45 per player includes jersey & eight games. Volunteer coaches are needed. Call 617-4620.

Anne of Green Gables

The West Sacramento branch of the county library will present a program on "Anne of Green Gables" on Sat., March 20 at 3 p.m., 1212 Merkley Avenue.

Concert

The West Sacramento Community Orchestra will present a free springtime concert at the West Sacramento Civic Center on Sun., March 14, at 3 p.m., 1110 West Capitol Avenue. There will be French and Italian 19th century opera, 20th century English romanticism, Nigerian music and American jazz and pops in the 90-minute program. The orchestra's next scheduled appearance at the venue will be for a patriotic concert on June 13.

Moose Lodge

The Moose Center on Jefferson Blvd. will host a St. Patrick's Day dinner and dance at 7 p.m. on March 13 for members and their guests. The lodge's "youth involvement committee" will present "Aloha Under the Stars," a family prom night, at 6 p.m. on March 20 (for members; call 372-0992).

Assemblywoman visits

Assemblywoman Lois Wolk will hold office hours on Thursday, March 4, from 4-6 p.m. at the library, 1212 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento. She and her staff will distribute information on new laws, giving constituents a chance to comment. Individuals having trouble with a state department may also request assistance at this time. For more information, call (707) 455-8025.

Interfaith

The West Sacramento Interfaith Gathering will meet for its monthly brown-bag lunch at noon on Friday, March 5, at the Center for Spiritual Awareness, 1020 West Capitol Avenue. Persons of all the city's faith traditions are invited. Call 798-8724 with questions.

Art guild

The West Sacramento Art Guild will host its "Second Saturday" show on March 13 from 6-8 p.m. at Yolo High School, 920 Westacre Road (enter at the north end of the school next to the James Marshall Parent Nursery). Free admission. Call 371-3744.

Quit tobacco

The Yolo County Health Department is offering free assistance for those planning to quit smoking or other use of tobacco. Meet March 24 from 8:30-9:30 a.m. at the county Dept. of Social Services Fair Hearings room, 500 Jefferson Blvd., Building A in West Sacramento. Or meet Feb. 17 or March 17 at the library branch at 1212 Merkley Ave. from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Call (916) 375-6380 ext. 4165 for more information.

"West Sac on the Go'

The West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce's annual "West Sac on the Go" business tour is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on May 27, departing from Raley Field. Call 371-7042 for information on participating in the event or sponsoring it.

Grand jurors wanted

Applications are now being accepted for service on the 2004-2005 Yolo County Grand Jury, formed to review local government operations and making recommendations. The grand jury also considers criminal indictments based on evidence presented. Among the requirements are residence in Yolo County, U.S. citizenship and other bases. Call 375-6491 for more information and an application. Applications are due by April 2.

Come on in

The water's fine. Join the West Sacramento Dolphins swim team for the 2004 season. Area youth are invited to register on Saturdays, March 6, 13 or 20 at Whitey's Jolly Kone on Jefferson Blvd. or on Sat., March 27 at River City High School. Registration is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at these events, or you may register at the annual barbecue at the VFW Hall Sun., April 4, from 2-5 p.m. Please bring a copy of birth certificate. $70 registration ($60 for other swimmers in same family). For information, call 372-8671.

Tuskegee Airmen

The W.W. II African-American combat flying corps "Tuskegee Airmen" will offer a presentation on their experience as fighter pilots on Tues., March 9 at 10 a.m. Interested members of the community may attend; call 375-7800. The presentation is intended "to meet CA state academic standards 11.7," reports the school.

Neuropathy

The West Sacramento Peripheral Neuropathy Group will watch a demonstration of a "biofeedback assisted relaxed method" at the pain management group's meeting on March 10 at 10 a.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 1500 Park Blvd. The group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at that time and location. For more information, call 371-1125.

Grants for foster youth

State Sen. Michael J. Machado announces the availability of grants of up to $5,000 annually to qualified foster youth and former foster youth attending college or vocational training. The California Chafee Grant requires a 2003-2004 Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form and grant application . For more information, call 1-888-224-7268 and choose option "three."

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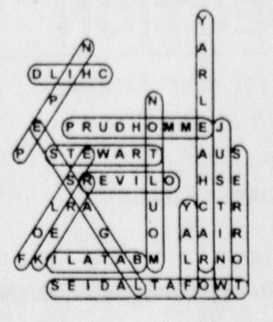
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Answers to 'Sports Quiz' (p. 3) and Puzzles (p. 8)

Answers

1. Florida's Jeff Conine in 1995.
2. The N.L. won 4-3 at Braves Field in Boston in 1936.
3. It was 1984.
4. Violet Palmer and Dee Kanter.
5. Ken Dryden (1971), Yvan Cournoyer (1973), Guy Lafleur (1977), Larry Robinson (1978) and Bob Gainey (1979).
6. None, despite winning a record five World Cups.
7. Gallant Fox in 1930 (the Preakness was run before the Kentucky Derby that year).



Differences: 1. Tennis racket is missing. 2. Man has no hat. 3. Bat is resting behind counter. 4. Tie is missing. 5. Golf bag is different. 6. Window has no frame.

Rational Numbers

answers

